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(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO UTILITY LAWS."

- 1 After section 3, insert the following:
- 2 "Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 16-245l of the general statutes is
- 3 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- 4 (a) The Department of Public Utility Control shall establish and each
- 5 electric distribution company shall collect a systems benefits charge to
- 6 be imposed against all end use customers of each electric distribution
- 7 company beginning January 1, 2000. The department shall hold a
- 8 hearing that shall be conducted as a contested case in accordance with
- 9 chapter 54 to establish the amount of the systems benefits charge. The
- 10 department may revise the systems benefits charge or any element of
- 11 said charge as the need arises. The systems benefits charge shall be
- 12 used to fund (1) the expenses of the public education outreach
- 13 program developed under subsection (a) of section 16-244d other than

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14 expenses for department staff, (2) the reasonable and proper expenses 15 of the education outreach consultant pursuant to subsection (d) of 16 section 16-244d, (3) the cost of hardship protection measures under 17 sections 16-262c and 16-262d and other hardship protections, including 18 but not limited to, electric service bill payment programs, funding and 19 technical support for energy assistance, fuel bank and weatherization 20 programs and weatherization services, (4) the payment program to 21 offset tax losses described in section 12-94d, (5) any sums paid to a 22 resource recovery authority pursuant to subsection (b) of section 16-23 243e, (6) low income conservation programs approved by the 24 Department of Public Utility Control, (7) displaced worker protection 25 costs, (8) unfunded storage and disposal costs for spent nuclear fuel 26 generated before January 1, 2000, approved by the appropriate 27 regulatory agencies, (9) postretirement safe shutdown and site 28 protection costs that are incurred in preparation for decommissioning, 29 (10) decommissioning fund contributions, and (11) legal, appraisal and 30 purchase costs of a conservation or land use restriction and other 31 related costs as the department in its discretion deems appropriate, 32 incurred by a municipality on or before January 1, 2000, to ensure the 33 environmental, recreational and scenic preservation of any reservoir 34 located within this state created by a pump storage hydroelectric 35 generating facility. As used in this subsection, "displaced worker 36 protection costs" means the reasonable costs incurred, prior to January 37 1, 2006, (A) by an electric company or a generation entity or affiliate 38 arising from the dislocation of any employee other than an officer, 39 provided such dislocation is a result of restructuring of the electric 40 generation market and such dislocation occurs on or after July 1, 1998; 41 or (B) by the owner or operator of a Title IV source, as defined in 42 section 1 of substitute for house bill 6365 of the current session, arising 43 from the dislocation of any employee other than an officer, provided 44 such dislocation is a result of the passage and implementation of 45 substitute for house bill 6365 of the current session and such 46 dislocation occurs on or after the effective date of said substitute house 47 bill; and provided further such costs result from either the execution of 48 agreements reached through collective bargaining for union

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employees or from the [company's or entity's or affiliate's] programs and policies of the company, entity or affiliate, or owner or operator for nonunion employees. "Displaced worker protection costs" includes costs incurred or projected for severance, retraining, early retirement, outplacement and related expenses. "Displaced worker protection costs" does not include those costs included in determining a tax credit pursuant to section 12-217bb.

- Sec. 5. Section 16-245v of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- 58 (a) Each electric company, as defined in section 16-1, electric 59 distribution company, as defined in said section 16-1, and generation 60 entity or affiliate shall maintain and update regularly a roster of 61 employees terminated as a direct result of restructuring of the electric 62 industry. [Such] Each owner or operator of a Title IV source, as defined 63 in section 1 of substitute for house bill 6365 of the current session, shall 64 maintain and update regularly a roster of employees terminated as a 65 direct result of the passage and implementation of substitute for house bill 6365 of the current session. Each such roster shall include each 66 67 such employee's name, address, job title and job description at the time 68 of termination. At the time of termination, the employer shall ask the 69 employee if the employee wants to be included in the roster. After 70 obtaining the permission of each such employee, the company, owner 71 or operator shall provide the Department of Public Utility Control with 72 a copy of the roster. In no event shall the information concerning any 73 employee be added to the roster without the permission of the 74 employee.
 - (b) The Department of Public Utility Control shall forward the roster to each electric company, electric distribution company, generation entity or affiliate, owner or operator of a Title IV source and electric supplier, as defined in section 16-1. Such roster may be used by each such company or supplier in mitigating costs.
- 80 (c) The Department of Public Utility Control shall forward to each

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81 employee whose name appears on a roster submitted pursuant to

82 subsection (a) of this section a list containing the name and business

83 address of each electric supplier."